

REMARKS

The amendment in Paragraph [0008] of the Specification is a correction of a minor clerical error, the need for which is apparent from Office records. The list of patents and applications in this Paragraph is stated to be E Ink and MIT patents relating to electrophoretic displays. U.S. Patent No. 6,249,721 is not assigned to either E Ink or MIT and does not relate to this technology. Hence, correction is obviously required, and Office records show that Patent No. 6,249,271 must be intended.

Original claims 1-20 are retained unchanged. Claims 21-34 are added to give applicants the full scope of the protection to which they believe themselves entitled. With regard to claims 21-28, the applicants consider that, because of the explicit recitation of "capsule wall" in claims 1 and 6, it may not be apparent that, despite the statement in the last sentence of Paragraph [0009] that polymer-dispersed electrophoretic media are regarded as sub-species of encapsulated electrophoretic media, claims 1-9 are intended to cover the types of electrophoretic media described in Paragraphs [0009] and [0011]. Accordingly, claims 21-28 are added, paralleling claims 1-8 but directed to media which are of the types described in Paragraphs [0009] and [0011].

Claims 29-31 are added directed to electro-optic displays according to claim 9 comprising certain preferred types of electro-optic media mentioned in the description. More specifically, claim 29 is directed to such displays in which the electro-optic medium is a rotating bichromal member medium as described in Paragraph [0005] of the specification or an electrochromic medium as described in Paragraph [0006]; accordingly, this claim finds basis in at least these two paragraphs. Similarly, claims 30 and 31 are directed to such displays in which the electro-optic medium is respectively a polymer-dispersed electrophoretic medium as described in Paragraph [0009] or a microcell electrophoretic medium as described in Paragraph [0011], and claims 30 and 31 find basis in at least these two paragraphs of the specification.

Claims 32-34 parallel claims 29-31 except that they are directed to tensioned member displays according to claim 15 rather than electro-optic displays

according to claim 9. Accordingly, it is believed that the bases for claims 32-34 will readily be apparent from the discussion of claims 29-31 above.

No new matter is introduced by any of the foregoing amendments.

Should the Examiner see fit to allow all the claims now present in the application, it is respectfully suggested that the claims would be most easily understood if they were rearranged so that related claims are grouped together and dependent claims follow immediately after the claims from which they depend, and thus in the following order:

1-5
21-25
6-8
26-28
9-14
29-31
15-20
32-34.

A Fee Determination Record (Form PTO/SB/06) calculating the additional claim fees due as a result of this Amendment and a Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17) authorizing charging of these additional claim fees to the assignee's Deposit Account, are enclosed (the undersigned attorney appreciates that Form PTO/SB/17 is not well adapted for this situation but cannot find any other convenient method for paying the relevant fees). As a result of a review of certain business arrangements entered into by the applicants' assignee, E Ink Corporation, the undersigned attorney has determined that this application is now entitled to small entity status, and accordingly the fees paid herewith are being paid on that basis. It is respectfully requested that the Office Records be changed accordingly.

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An Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously
herewith.

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